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NOTES

The secretary has been authorized by the executive committee to include in the *Handbook* for 1914, which will be published as a supplement to the December number of the REVIEW, a geographical index of the members, as well as the usual alphabetical list. Changes of address or any errors noticed in the address list of 1913 should be reported to the secretary not later than October 1.

The annual meeting of the American Economic Association will be held at Princeton, N. J., during the Christmas holidays. The 1915 meeting will be at San Francisco in the summer.

The recent development of accident compensation in this country has proven to be a strong stimulus to the scientific study of what is known as casualty insurance, which embraces all miscellaneous lines of insurance outside of life and fire. As a result, a movement has been started among statisticians and actuaries of stock insurance companies, state insurance funds, industrial accident boards, etc., for the organization of a Casualty Actuarial and Statistical Association of America. Dr. I. M. Rubinow, chief statistician of the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., was elected temporary chairman and Mr. C. E. Scattergood, assistant secretary of the Fidelity and Casualty Company (92 Liberty Street, New York City), temporary secretary. Statisticians interested in this new organization may communicate with the temporary secretary.

The Rural Organization Service of the United States Department of Agriculture has been placed under the immediate direction of Mr. C. W. Thompson. While retaining its identity, its name is changed to the Office of Rural Organization and it is combined with the Office of Markets, both offices being placed under the general direction of Mr. C. J. Brand. Messrs. Brand and Thompson are both members of the American Economic Association. The work of the Rural Organization Service was begun, as may be remembered, June 1, 1913, with T. N. Carver as director. Mr. Carver now becomes adviser in agricultural economics to the department. Prior to July 1, 1914, the work was supported by funds supplied by the General Education Board. Owing to a disagreement as to the scope and character of the work to be done, the direction being unwilling to limit the work as desired by the General Education Board, that body decided in December, 1913, to withdraw its support after June 30, 1914. The work is now supported by government funds.

The following table shows the distribution of the membership of the American Economic Association on July 10, 1914, as compared with that of December 20, 1912. In addition to the 2,173 members there were, on July 10, 309 subscribers, making a total of 2,482.

	1912 Dec. 20	1914 July 10	1912 Dec. 20	1914 July 10
<i>N. E. States</i>			<i>Central States</i>	
Maine	18	14	Ohio	93 86
New Hampshire	16	14	Michigan	46 41
Vermont	6	7	Indiana	39 38
Massachusetts	352	310	Illinois	148 131
Rhode Island	22	15	Wisconsin	60 48
Connecticut	79	67	Minnesota	38 42
	—	—	Iowa	26 25
	493	427	Missouri	70 51
				—
<i>Middle States</i>				520 462
New York	580	518		
New Jersey	75	62	<i>Western States</i>	
Pennsylvania	180	141	Arizona	2 1
Delaware	6	7	Idaho	5 3
Maryland	35	29	Nebraska	21 20
Dist. of Columbia	105	95	Utah	7 8
	—	—	Colorado	19 19
	981	852	Kansas	11 15
			New Mexico	3 2
<i>Southern States</i>			Montana	9 7
West Virginia	6	7	North Dakota	9 5
Virginia	17	15	South Dakota	4 2
North Carolina	9	8	Wyoming	1
South Carolina	4	3		—
Georgia	15	5		90 83
Florida	9	9	<i>Pacific States</i>	
Tennessee	14	10	Washington	21 22
Kentucky	13	9	Oregon	12 10
Alabama	7	8	California	72 75
Arkansas	2	2		—
Texas	20	17		105 107
Louisiana	19	12	<i>Hawaii</i>	6
Mississippi	4	3	<i>Canada</i>	42 40
Oklahoma	8	3	<i>Other Countries</i>	86 85
	—	—	Total	2464 2173
	147	111		

The Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education held its twenty-second meeting at Princeton, N. J., June 23-26. T. H. B. McKnight, treasurer of the Pennsylvania Lines West of Pittsburgh, made an address on "The financial department of a school or uni-

versity," and Professor Hugo Diemer, of Pennsylvania State College, read a paper on "Education in scientific management."

The American Academy of Political and Social Science is preparing to celebrate its silver anniversary in the spring of 1915.

The National Tax Association will hold its eighth annual conference at Denver, September 8-11.

The Western Economic Society is planning a conference on "American transportation problems" in November and one on "Socialism" in the spring.

The National Municipal League will receive a report from a committee on municipal budgets and accounting at its annual meeting in Baltimore, November 18-21.

The United States Commission on Agricultural Credits has transmitted to Congress part III of its report, *Personal or Short-Term Credit* (Sen. Doc. No. 380, Part III, 63 Cong., 2 Sess., 1914, pp. 32). The American Commission and the United States Commission completed their joint report with the publication of parts II and III. Part II consists of bibliography of literature dealing with agricultural coöperation and rural credit in the United States, with an appendix presenting the laws of the different states bearing upon rural credit unions (Sen. Doc. No. 214, 63 Cong., 1 Sess., 1914, pp. 95).

In January, 1912, the vice-president of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland appointed a committee, composed of the most competent authorities, to inquire into the existing systems of credit available for the rural classes in Ireland, and suggest what, if any, improvements, not involving financial assistance from the exchequer, should be made in the system, and to consider especially the form of agricultural credits most suited to the requirements of the occupiers of the land affected by the Land Acts in the Western districts of Ireland, and throughout the entire country. Professor Charles F. Bastable, of Dublin University, and Rev. Thomas A. Finlay, professor of economics in the National University of Ireland, are members of the committee. The report is comprehensive, logically arranged, and carefully indexed (Dublin, A. Thom & Co., 4s. 8d.).

Although the Bureau of the Census did not begin its decennial investigation pertaining to wealth, debt, and taxation until just before January 1, 1914, the first report has come from the press, *National and State Indebtedness and Funds and Investments, 1870-1913* (pp. 204). When the bureau undertook this investigation ten years ago,

no part of the report was published until all parts were ready. This delayed the publication of any of the information gathered from 1903 until 1907. The new policy provides for the publication of results in the form of pamphlet bulletins, each dealing with a specific phase of the subject. A second bulletin dealing with *Taxation and Revenue Systems*, and bringing to date the section of the last decennial report prepared by Professor Plehn, is also ready; and there will soon be a third, *National and State Revenues, Expenditures, and Public Properties*. Further data will be published as quickly as possible after collection, and when all phases of the subject have been investigated, the various bulletins will be assembled.

The Department of Investigation and Statistics of the Industrial Commission of Ohio is conducting an elaborate investigation into the costs of living of self-supporting, wage-earning women in factories, mercantile institutions, and other places of employment throughout the state. The purpose is to furnish information which will assist the legislature in its consideration of bills for a minimum wage for women.

Preparatory to making a report on the advisability of having the state fix minimum rates of wages for workers, the New York State Factory Investigating Commission has circulated a list of questions on the wage problem. It is hoped thus to obtain views and suggestions from a varied experience.

The Social Insurance Department of the National Civic Federation in considering the question, Should there be a systematic scheme of compulsory sickness insurance advocated for state legislation in the United States? has sent out a committee on preliminary foreign inquiry to make a general survey of the field in Europe during the summer.

At the New York School of Philanthropy during the coming year Mary Van Kleeck will give a course on modern industrial conditions and Frederick A. Cleveland will give a course on the administration of social agencies.

An experimental school of vocational education will be opened in the Woolworth Building, New York City, for the business training of the younger employees of the tenants of the building. It will be in charge of a committee of the Merchants' Association in coöperation with the Board of Education.

The National Municipal League has established the Morton Denison Hull prize of \$250, to be awarded annually for the best essay on a

subject connected with municipal government. Information may be obtained from the secretary, North American Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

The first volume of Professor Karl Pearson's *Biography of Francis Galton* will soon be issued by the Cambridge University Press.

Professor Norris A. Brisco, of the College of the City of New York, is the author of *Economics of Efficiency* which will soon be published by the Macmillan Company. This is a critical analysis of efficiency, setting forth its demands and giving methods of attainment in a business enterprise.

Professor Edwin L. Earp, of Drew Theological Seminary, has a new book just off the press, entitled *The Rural Church Movement*. It is published by the Methodist Book Concern of New York, and an imprint edition is also being handled by the Association Press, of New York.

The first number of volume I of the *Discussions of the Economic Club of San Francisco* contains various addresses on the defects of the present administration of justice in the United States (Harold E. Haven, secretary).

The National Compensation Journal (John A. Drake, Lansing, Mich.) is published monthly at a subscription price of two dollars.

The New Statesman for May 30, 1914, contains a special supplement on the coöperative movement. This is a draft of the two reports of the committee of the Fabian Research Department which for more than a year has been investigating the subject of control of industry, and as here given was submitted by Sidney and Beatrice Webb. The first report appeared as a supplement of the issue of February 14. The authors are generous in their appreciation of the work which coöperative associations of consumers have performed, and recognize that these associations have accomplished "remarkable financial results."

The June 13 number of *The Athenaeum* devotes special attention to political economy and sociology and prints a leading article on "Some aspects of the growth of national and local expenditure."

A third edition of *A Guide to the Current Periodicals and Serials of the United States and Canada* has been compiled by Henry Ormal Severance, librarian of the University of Missouri (George Wahr, publisher, Ann Arbor, Mich.).

A supplement of *The New Statesman* for June 13, 1914, is devoted to a review of English blue books.

In June appeared the first number of *The Mississippi Valley Historical Review* which will be issued quarterly at a subscription of three dollars (Clarence S. Paine, Secretary-treasurer, Lincoln, Nebr.).

Students of Indian economics will be interested in the first number of the *Journal of the Madras Economic Association* (Madras). It contains surveys of the economic condition of two typical Madras villages.

Recent numbers of *Wirtschafts- und Naturwissenschaftliche Zeit- und Streitfragen*, now in its first year, contained articles on the anti-trust movement, unemployment and poverty in Germany and England in 1913, government and economics, and a series of articles on the International Tobacco Trust. There is also a section of book reviews which includes notice of American and English publications. The journal is edited by M. Ernst and is issued monthly, each number containing sixteen pages, price 50 Pfg. (Berlin-Charlottenburg: Soziologisches Verlag).

Appointments and Resignations

Mr. James E. Allison has been appointed lecturer in economics of public utilities at Washington University.

Dr. John H. Ashworth has been appointed instructor of economics in Pennsylvania State College.

Dr. Edward W. Bemis has recently undertaken the appraisal of public utilities in the city of Washington, D. C. He is also to engage in a similar undertaking for the appraisal of the street railways of Detroit which, it is expected, will be purchased within a few months by the city.

Dr. John Lee Coulter has been appointed by the United States Commission on Industrial Relations to take charge of and prepare the report on that branch of their work which has to do with agricultural labor and farm tenant problems.

Dr. Lloyd M. Crosgrave, of Harvard University, has been appointed instructor in elementary economics and labor problems at the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Ira B. Cross, of Leland Stanford Jr. University, has been called to the University of California.

Mr. Jay Dunne has been promoted to the rank of instructor in accounting at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Charles A. Ellwood, professor of sociology at the University of Missouri, has been granted a sabbatical year's leave of absence. Dr. L. L. Bernard, of the University of Florida, is to be acting professor.

Mr. F. B. Garver has resigned his position at the University of Chicago to accept an instructorship at Leland Stanford Jr. University.

Mr. D. S. Hanchett, of the University of Pennsylvania, leaves for China in September to engage in Y. M. C. A. work.

Mr. Walton H. Hamilton, of the University of Michigan, has been appointed assistant professor of political economy at the University of Chicago.

Dr. R. F. Hoxie, of the University of Chicago, has been granted a leave of absence for one year to investigate the relation of scientific management to labor unions, under the auspices of the United States Commission on Industrial Relations.

Mr. John Ise has been appointed assistant professor in the department of applied economics and social science at Iowa State College, his work being largely in the field of agricultural and forest economics.

Dr. Eliot Jones, instructor in the University of Pennsylvania, has accepted an appointment as associate professor in the State University of Iowa.

Dr. Thomas L. Kibler has been made the head of the department of economics at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

Dr. Oswald W. Knauth has been made assistant professor of economics at Princeton University.

Professor Charles McCarthy has been appointed director in charge of investigations for the Commission on Industrial Relations.

Mr. William L. Leiserson has resigned his position on the Wisconsin Industrial Commission to become assistant director for the federal commission.

Mr. L. C. Marshall, of Chicago University, has returned from a trip to South America under the auspices of the American Association for International Conciliation.

Dr. Algernon A. Osborne has been made assistant professor of economics at Hobart College.

Professor William A. Rawles, of Indiana University, has been elected president of the Indiana Tax Association.

Mr. Robert J. Ray has resigned his position as professor of economics in Keio University, Tokyo, Japan, and will spend a year in study in Germany before returning to the United States.

Dr. Edward Clyde Robbins is to be instructor in economics at Mt. Holyoke College.

Professor E. V. D. Robinson, of the University of Minnesota, is on leave of absence.

Dr. W. A. Robinson has been appointed assistant professor of economics at Washington University.

Professor L. S. Rowe, of the University of Pennsylvania, has gone to South America on six months' leave of absence.

Mr. Horace Sechrist, assistant professor of economics at Northwestern University, was engaged during the summer in making for the United States Industrial Relations Commission an analysis of the statistical methods and output of American labor bureaus.

Professor E. N. Tuckey has resigned his position at Syracuse University.

The following additions have been made to the faculty of the Northwestern University School of Commerce: Henry P. Dutton, instructor in factory management; Arthur T. Grossman, instructor in accounting; and William D. Kerr, lecturer in transportation law.

At Oberlin College the departments of economics and sociology have been separated. Harley L. Lutz is promoted from associate professor to professor of economics; H. E. Miller, of Olivet College, is appointed professor of sociology; and Miss Hazel Kyrk, of the University of Chicago, instructor in economics. Miss Gray, for two years instructor in economics, has accepted a fellowship with the Women's Educational and Industrial Union, Boston.

New appointments in the department of economics and sociology at Ohio State University are: V. W. Bruder and M. H. Hunter, instructors; W. C. Weidler, G. L. Harris, and O. F. Wilkinson, assistants.

At the University of Pittsburgh, Mr. A. B. Wright, of the University of Illinois, has been appointed instructor in political science; Mr. Leroy L. Davison, of Purdue University, instructor in commerce; and Mr. Charles Arnold, instructor in journalism.

At the University of Washington, Seattle, Dr. Harry E. Smith of Cornell University has been appointed assistant professor of economics and Mr. Frank J. Laube, instructor of political and social science.

Mr. John H. Roemer, chairman of the Wisconsin Railroad Commission, will give a course of lectures on railway and public utility regulation during the first semester, 1914-1915, in the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. Frank R. Rutter, since 1910 chief of the Division of Foreign Tariffs, has been appointed an assistant chief of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, with special charge of the statistical and economic work. Mr. Louis Domeratzky succeeds Mr. Rutter as chief of the Division of Foreign Tariffs.

At the University of Wisconsin, Dr. R. H. Hess has been promoted to an assistant professorship, and will have charge of the work in transportation and public utilities which formerly was carried on by Dr. Balthazar Meyer, now a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. William H. Kiekhoefer and Mr. Henry R. Trumbower have been advanced from the rank of instructor to assistant professor of economics. Mr. Harry Jerome, of the University of Omaha, has been appointed assistant in economics.

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